HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 223 By Davis R

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Leon Davis, longtime Greene County law enforcement figure.

WHEREAS, it was with deep regret that the members of the Tennessee General
Assembly and the citizens of Greene County learned of the death of Leon Davis, one of the
county's most popular and widely known law enforcement figures; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis began his distinguished law enforcement career with the Greene County Sheriff's Department in 1966; and

WHEREAS, after serving admirably as a deputy for more than a decade, he served in the important position of Chief Deputy from 1978-1983; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, when First District constable Louis Johnson died, Mr. Davis was appointed to fill the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, he was later elected to a full term as constable and was serving in that capacity at the time of his death; and

WHEREAS, this exemplary public servant also served as the First District Commissioner on the Greene County Commission from 1990, when he was first elected, until 1994; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis was very active in the Greene County Republican Party, working diligently and successfully to elect candidates; he served as thirteenth district precinct captain; and

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WHEREAS, he evinced his strong and abiding faith as an active member of the Mount Hebron Methodist Church; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Davis contributed his time and energy to numerous charitable and civic enterprises, including the Glendale-Mount Hebron Ruritan Club, the Rheatown Kountry Klub, and the Moose Lodge #692; and

WHEREAS, survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law: Gail, who is the County Circuit Court Clerk, and Charles Jeffers; and Judy and Steve Lowe; three granddaughters:

Andrea Fink, Amanda Lowe and Whitney Lowe, and a brother Lewis Davis; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor the memory of Leon Davis; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Leon Davis, thoughtfully reflecting on his many selfless contributions to his community. Unquestionably, he made Greene County, an already great place to reside, an even better place to live. A person such as Mr. Davis rarely walks this earth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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